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TO AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA IMMEDIATE

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E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MASS, ET, US

SUBJECT: TERMINATION OF US-ETHIOPIAN MILITARY SUPPLY  
RELATIONSHIP

REF: A) ADDIS ABABA 4039, B) STATE 150549

1. IN DEPARTMENT'S VIEW THERE IS MERIT IN MAKING TO EPMG  
ALL POINTS ENUMERATED IN PARA 3 REFTEL B. PURPOSE OF SEC-  
OND AND THIRD SENTENCES IN PARA 3 WAS TO RESPOND TO  
STRONG RECOMMENDATION BY EMBASSY IN OTHER CONTEXTS THAT  
WE GIVE BALANCE TO THE NEGATIVE AND POSITIVE ASPECTS OF  
THE REVOLUTION AS THEY TOUCH OUR RELATIONS. IF IN YOUR  
VIEW IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE IN THIS CONTEXT TO OMIT  
DIRECT REFERENCE TO THE REVOLUTION'S NEGATIVE ASPECTS,  
YOU MAY OMIT NEGATIVE PORTION BEGINNING WITH WORDS "ON THE  
ONE HAND" IN SECOND SENTENCE THROUGH WORDS "ON THE OTHER

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HAND" IN THIRD SENTENCE. WE BELIEVE IT IS IMPORTANT TO  
MAKE POSITIVE POINTS IN REMAINDER OF THIRD SENTENCE,  
HOWEVER, GIVEN EPMG FAILURE TO SUBMIT OFFICIAL REQUESTS  
FOR SPECIFIC PROPOSED AID PROJECTS.

2. WE DO NOT BELIEVE WE SHOULD SEPARATE QUESTION REIM-  
BURSEMENT FOR PROGRESS PAYMENTS FROM GENERAL QUESTION OF

THE SETTLEMENT OF OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL OBLIGATIONS. FACT  
THAT LONG DELAYS MAY BE INVOLVED IN ARRIVING AT A SETTLEMENT  
OF THIS MATTER CAUSES US NO CONCERN, AND IN FACT MAY BE  
ONLY CHANCE WE HAVE OF RETAINING A MODICUM OF LEVERAGE  
OVER EPMG.

3. HAVE JUST RECEIVED ADDIS 4070. GIVEN SEEMING  
IMPOSSIBILITY OF MAKING DEMARCHE TO PRINCIPALS, YOU SHOULD  
PROCEED TO DO SO AT WHATEVER LEVEL YOU CAN, BEARING IN  
MIND, HOWEVER, THAT YOUR TIMING NOT PREJUDICE IN ANY WAY  
DEPARTURE OF LESLIE FOX FROM ETHIOPIA. VANCE

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